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It will be warmer today, the winds becoming southerly.

## STILL IN DOUBT.

It is impossible at this writing to form any satisfactory judgment on the Chilean question. Yesterday's dispatches, purporting to come from Chili, announcing that the government would withdraw its offensive note, submit to arbitration and settle the existing differences in an amicable spirit are regarded with suspicion and distrust. No such dispatches were received at the state department and the newspapers printing them have been compelled to admit that they were not genuine; or if genuine that they were simply anticipatory of what the Chileans would probably decide to do. They may be classed along with the other unreliable and sensational matter published concerning the negotiations between the two governments. It appears, however, that Chili's reply to our ultimatum, sent January 22, has been received at the state department, and that the contents of the same are not satisfactory. If this shall prove to be correct information, the whole situation again aggravated and the probabilities of war uncertain and embarrassing. It is little short of folly to monkey with Chili any longer. Her refusal to meet the demands of this government with a prompt and final answer can be construed only as an act of ultra-defiance and unpardonable insult. Because she is little and insignificant will continue no longer to be a charitable excuse for not applying the gad. She ought to be whipped on general principles for her presumption and impudence. Patience with her longer will amount to a confession of weakness. Continued forbearance, under all the circumstances, will expose us to the charge of being undecided, and unprepared to assert our national dignity and defend ourselves from insult. If Chili shall make one more attempt to dally with us, or if she refuses to meet the issue, congress will have no alternative but to kick her.

## DISINTEGRATION IMMINENT.

Involved in seemingly inextricable complications the Owashtanong club is hopelessly adrift. To right its affairs, pay its obligations and put it upon a firm, substantial footing will require the exercise of mature judgment and business sagacity of a high order. One of the most splendidly equipped gentlemen for this almost Herculean task in Grand Rapids is the president of the bankrupt institution. He has the ability, the patience and the foresight necessary to shape measures to restore the organization to its former place as a popular and self-sustaining institution. But at the threshold of his new office he is confronted by a well-defined public distrust of the club. There are many who recall the sad and tragic events of the year; who remember the scandal and downfall which engulfed one of the brightest young men of the city in the meshes of ruin and disgrace. The humiliation and crime of another young man is also fresh in mind. These would seek for causes for the unhappy catastrophes elsewhere, but the lamentable fact is that in each case the excesses indulged, the expenditures lavished were first given reckless start in the club of which the unhappy victims were members. The conservative, reputable members of the club were shocked, and are shocked, that the institution should be held responsible for these distressful surprises. But now the club itself is in disgrace, and public distrust of its character is intensified. If it finds itself with ruin and disintegration imminent, it is but reaping the harvest of disaster that overtook its members who were lured by its indulgent privileges to death and disgrace. Instead of contributing to the social and moral betterment of the community, the club has winked at the midnight orgies of its younger members, and has gloried in the record it has established as being the rendezvous for the "bloody" of the town. President Turner, no doubt, appreciates all this, and with the assistance of the directors he will endeavor to pull the wreck to a haven of safety before it is hopelessly shattered on the legal reefs amongst which it is now buffeting.

## TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS.

"Recent cable advices," says Bradstreet's, "are to the effect that the negotiations between Spain and France for the adoption of a treaty of commerce have failed, and after February 1 the maximum tariff of each country will be applied to imports from the other. The Spanish chamber of deputies has adopted the government bill prolonging the duration of the existing commercial treaties. It appears, from a statement made in the chamber by the minister of the interior, that Spain has received no offer to join the new Zollverein. According to the same minister, however, the government does not intend to enter into a league with any other power. The Spanish minister of foreign affairs has agreed to the appointment of a committee of inquiry to reconsider the treaty of commerce with the United States. It appears that

negotiations which have been pending between France and Holland looking to the establishment of a commercial treaty are upon the point of being concluded, France conceding to Holland the minimum tariff on imports and obtaining 'the most favored nation' treatment.

## IRON AND STEEL.

Census Bulletin No. 156 just issued is devoted to iron and steel. It shows that, although a decrease has taken place in the number of establishments engaged in the manufacture of iron and steel in 1890 as compared with 1880, due principally to local causes affecting the supply of raw materials, there has been an increase in the value of finished products. In this connection, it is stated, the fact must be noted that the statistics presented are confined to the operations of establishments manufacturing from the ore, forges and bloomeries, rolling mills, and manufacturers of crude materials for the foundry, machinists, and other industries. In 1870 there were forty-eight iron and steel establishments in New England, with an invested capital of \$5,909,000, which employed 3815 hands, to whom \$2,168,719 in wages were paid, and which consumed materials costing \$7,333,150, producing manufactures valued at \$10,824,903. In 1880 the number of establishments had increased to 61, with an invested capital of \$11,060,498, the workmen numbering 8854, and receiving wages amounting to \$3,357,911, the cost of materials being \$9,518,570, and the value of products amounting to \$14,538,627. In 1890 the number of establishments had decreased to 53, but the total capital invested had increased \$13,415,450. The hands employed, excluding officers and clerks, numbered 6645, receiving wages amounting to \$3,224,318. The cost of materials consumed was \$9,256,059, and the value of the products was \$15,105,441. It should be considered that the values reported for 1870 are expressed in a currency which was at a great discount in gold, and for this reason they should be reduced one-fifth for the purpose of comparison with the gold values of succeeding census years.

The Milwaukee Sentinel states that the value of the productive industries of Milwaukee during 1891 was \$129,347,835. The amount paid in wages was \$24,072,000, and the capital invested was \$30,500,500. The number of employees in all the lines was 55,890, and the number of establishments included in the report upon which these figures are based was 3,258.

There was only one democrat on the jury in the Quay libel suit. He was accepted out of a panel containing fourteen other democrats. It is rather singular that out of so large a number of democrats only one possessed the necessary ignorance to serve on a jury. This would seem to be a cruel libel on the reputation of the average democrat.

CONGRESSMAN BRECKINRIDGE has deservedly earned for himself the contempt of every patriotic citizen by his sinister attempt to impugn the motives of the President in the house yesterday. It is a piece of political meanness that would be honored with the appellation Treason, were the man of enough importance to pay any attention to it.

THE Chicago papers are waging a vigorous war on the "fad" subjects taught in the public schools of that city. The articles might be read with profit by the Grand Rapids board of education. Some of the weaknesses pointed out might be eliminated from our own system and the efficiency of it not necessarily be diminished.

As unfeeling punster with nerveless malice declares that the leading characteristic of the bank cashier is the fact that he is usually "short." "Long" away from home—cashiers will look upon this pun as the very cutest thing ever sprung.

SENSATIONAL dispatches were sent out early yesterday morning announcing that Chili had backed down from its lofty position. The dispatches have not been confirmed and several editors are madder than March hares.

THEODORIAN SULLIVAN has been heard from in Helena. His future bookings, unless he shall reform, will include a permanent engagement in a town whose name the first syllable of Helena accurately pronounces.

JULES VERNE is said to prefer American cider to French wine. Now that attention is called to it, it does look as if some of Verne's stories were slightly colored by the effects of Jersey apple-jack.

So soon as the Chilean question is settled satisfactorily, it is to be hoped that Canal and Monroe street property owners will make some provision for cleaning the snow off their sidewalks.

SHOULD be declared there will be an immediate and visible diminution in the number of gentlemen who take pride in being addressed as "Major," "Colonel," "Captain" and "General."

BASIN estimates upon projected extensions and proposed expansion of railway interests, it is said by eminent engineers there will be a positive revival in railway construction.

ROGER in the heat of the Chilean war excitement Mills has dropped out of sight. Roger, however, is grinding away steadily to secure the senatorial toga now worn by Chilton.

In view of the fact that it has been stated by scientists that the coal crop will be exhausted in 200 years, it is not surprising that the dealers are anticipating that event.

KNEELANDERS have issued a call for a grand convention to be held at Dwight, Illinois, February 15. Can it be possible

that the convention will organize a new party to boom Keeley for the presidency? What a very taking name "Anti-Bum" party would be, and how very appropriate planks it could nail in its platform.

REPROBITY treaties have been completed with five republics and nine colonies under Secretary Blaine.

## LOCAL WAR SENTIMENT.

Leader: Whatever may be thought of its conclusions—and from today's dispatches it would seem they are pretty unanimously deemed by leading senators and representatives of all parties—it cannot be denied that it is a state paper above the average character of presidents' messages, and that it will increase the respect in which the country generally holds President Harrison, both as regards to ability, vigor, the courage of his opinions, and the determination to be the head of his own administration.

Democrat: Because of the situation of affairs which has caused President Harrison's message to be sent to congress the message is a most important state document, one of the most important in the history of the country. As to the matter and manner of the message, judgments will differ as opinions to the situation itself, and the conduct of the administration thereon may differ. In the main, the message is able, dignified and patriotic in tone.

Free: The message has the right ring and it means trouble unless Chili withdraws Matta's insulting letter and offers apology for the brutal treatment given our sailors. The president puts the affair in its true colors in saying the assault on the sailors of the Baltimore was an assault on the American naval uniform. Congress must sustain the president in maintaining that American sailors should be protected in every port where an American cruiser is permitted to anchor.

Eagle: President Harrison's message is both an able state document and a highly important one. It is commendable alike for its moderation, its dignity, and its firmness. On the latter point the president's language is such as to leave not a particle of doubt as to the attitude of the executive branch of the government on the Chilean question, and its firm determination to insist upon and if necessary to enforce the demands which have been made upon Chili for apology and reparation for the outrages upon American seamen, committed at Valparaiso several months ago. There is no sensationalism, no attitudinizing, and no nonsense in President Harrison's message. He says just what he means, and in language which leaves no room to question his motives or his meanings. He speaks as an American citizen and for American citizens throughout the nation. Time enough and too much has been wasted in this controversy. The time has arrived for decisive steps; and the first of these decisive steps has been taken by the administration. There should be no more dilly-dallying; and there will be none.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Agnes Herndon is drawing appreciative audiences at Redmond's this week. Another matinee will be given tomorrow.

Well pleased audiences are dismissed at Smith's this week, for it is a very good variety bill. The first matinee of the week is announced for today.

The next attraction at Powers' will be that prince of illusionists and magicians, Professor Herriman. The sale of seats will begin on Friday morning.

Prof. Norton B. Smith will conclude his engagement at Hartman's hall tonight.

Romenyi, who is the king of violinists, will at Hartman's hall next Friday evening. Seats will be on sale at the Ottawa street box office tomorrow morning.

## ED. HAMILTON REARRESTED.

He Was Released Only to Commit a Second Offense.

Ed. Hamilton slept in a cell at police headquarters Monday night, having been arrested late at night while trying to dispose of a blanket and a wolf robe at a suspicious low price. There not being sufficient evidence that the property was stolen Hamilton was released yesterday morning, and permitted to take the blanket and robe. He sold them afterwards for \$4, and said he was going to Benton Harbor. A dispatch was sent to the authorities at Benton Harbor, informing them of Hamilton's actions, and a reply was soon received saying that he had been arrested there, and requesting the police department to get the property and hold it until a man from Benton Harbor could come here and identify it. The property was found, and is now at headquarters. It is supposed to have been stolen at Benton Harbor.

## Dental Society's Annual.

The Grand Rapids Dental society met at the residence of Dr. C. F. Owen last night, and elected the following officers: President, E. S. Holmes; vice-president, L. D. Wood; secretary, L. F. Owen; treasurer, W. A. Studley; members of executive committee, W. A. Dorland and B. A. Nellis.

Refreshments were served after the election, and the remainder of the session was given over to a social session that was heartily enjoyed by all the members who were present.

## INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

The Charge that Sherman Used Bribe Money to be Tested.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 26.—Representative Dougherty today asked the house to investigate the charge that he was paid to vote for Senator Sherman. A resolution was introduced praying for the appointment of a committee of four, two democrats and two republicans, to make the investigation. The immediate consideration of the resolution was opposed by the Foraker men, but was adopted by a large majority. Senator Sherman has written a letter to Mr. Dougherty in which he declares that he did not spend a cent in an illegal manner in the senatorial contest and offering to come here any time to defend Mr. Dougherty from the charge against him.

## SAVED BY A PENCIL.

A Desperate Attempt to Rob and Murder in Danbury.

DANBURY, Conn., Jan. 26.—An attempt to murder by two thieves last week has created much excitement here and it is the talk of the city. The thieves were attempting to steal a horse, and failing as they thought, they deliberately tried to murder a man in his own yard by striking him down with an iron bar and then plunging a knife into him. Late in the evening he left the house and started toward the barn. As he approached the building a man sprang around the corner of it with a

thing uplifted in his hand. The next instant Mr. Clark was told by a blow from the other side, and as he fell another man sprang over him. The first man was conscious, and the next he knew he was being hoisted into the house. A cry escaped Clark as he regained his senses and Mr. Rockwell caught the words "Knife," he stabbed me." Clark motioned toward his right side and Mr. Rockwell's hand came in contact with a knife handle. He tried to pull it out and found that it required all his strength to move it. Clark quickly recovered and found that he was almost unscathed. A long slash in his coat showed where the knife entered and cut through a heavy leather pocketbook which was in his inside pocket. Between the folds of the book was a lead pencil which had been nearly cut in two. The assassin struck a downward blow and the point of the knife hit the pencil and glancingly scratched the skin. Clark buried the knife in the pocketbook. The pencil saved Mr. Clark's life.

## He Was Met by Nellie.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Jan. 26.—Gil Monroe received a horsewhipping at the hands of Miss Nellie Bourgreeser on Vernon street Sunday evening. Monroe sent a very insulting note to Miss Bourgreeser, requesting her to meet him at a certain place. The young woman, whose character is above reproach, laid the letter before the city marshal, who advised her to go to the place designated by the young man and deal with him as she thought best. Miss Bourgreeser finally concluded to do this, and meeting the young man at the appointed time she immediately proceeded to give him a severe whipping. He started to flee, but at this stage the marshal and constable came out from where they had been hiding and held Monroe while the woman plied her whip more vigorously than ever and with telling effect. When she had satisfied herself the fellow was taken to jail. He was released yesterday by the authorities, who thought he had received sufficient punishment.

## Did She Run Away to Marry?

SAVANNAH, Ga., Jan. 25.—On the arrival here last night of the steamer Chattahoochee from New York, a pretty young woman, appearing on the passenger list as Mrs. Bascombe, was taken into custody by the police on a telegraphic request from Inspector Byrnes. She is apparently about 18 years old, doubtless unmarried, and traveling under an assumed name. Rumor says she ran away from home to marry the engineer of the steamer Kansas City, running between New York and Savannah. Her parents, rumored to be wealthy, are said to object to the match, and hence her flight. Friends are expected from New York tomorrow to take her back.

## Burned to Death.

KENDALLVILLE, Ind., Jan. 25.—John Owen and his nephew, William Myers, were burned to death last night at the residence of George Myers, three miles from here. The house caught fire while the family of nine were asleep. Seven of the inmates escaped by jumping from the upper windows, all receiving more or less severe injuries.

## Flying Distress Signals.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The Rockaway life saving station reports a steamer with two barges in tow off that point making signals for assistance. Rockaway station reports that there were two tows. One has disappeared off shore and the other one anchored her bows under the beach, left them there and has gone to New York.

## Chapman's Wife Afraid of Him.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Geoffrey Hawley Chapman has been arrested on complaint of his wife, who feared that her life was in danger while he remained in the house. Chapman has been, it is said, extremely ugly since the trial of Servant for shooting his wife. He will be examined as to his sanity today.

## Cliff Enjoins Them.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 26.—J. W. Cliff, the deposed republican secretary of the senate, today obtained a temporary injunction restraining Speaker Mitchell from continuing to the legislature the proposed law to increase the salary of the governor. The case will be argued Saturday.

## Terrorized the Town.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Jan. 26.—A gang of outlaws supposed to belong to the Dalton crowd, yesterday raided the new town of Harvey, in the Sac and Fox reservation, terrorized the inhabitants and robbed the principal store of all the valuable goods it contained.

## Fled For Their Lives.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Jan. 26.—A fire occurred this evening in the oil works of Borne, Crimser & Co., Elizabethport. The flames spread rapidly and the employees were compelled to flee for their lives. The entire plant was destroyed; loss, \$300,000.

## Sunk in the Ohio.

St. Louis, Jan. 26.—A special dispatch says the steamer Smoky City, with a load of four boats and a large cargo of coal, struck a pier in the bridge at Cairo and sunk in deep water this morning. Loss not stated.

## County Treasurer in Jail.

BASSETT, Neb., 26.—Ex-County Treasurer Linkens was arrested today, and is now in jail charged with embezzling \$7523.60 of the county's funds.

## State Scraps.

One year ago Ewen, Ontonagon county, says the Miner, consisted of nine shanties. Now it is a prosperous village of 1000 inhabitants. Four new saw and shingle mills are going up that will cut 350,000 shingles and 50,000 feet of lumber every twenty-four hours.

The Plymouth Iron Windmill and Air-Gun company has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, M. Conner; secretary and treasurer, R. L. Root; superintendent, C. J. Hamilton; directors, R. L. Root, C. J. Hamilton, L. C. Hough, T. C. Sherwood, S. J. Springer, M. Conner.

The prosecuting attorney of Lucas county has an effective way of convicting, or at least getting evidence to convict, a prisoner. He takes the suspected criminal from the jail to his private office, lays a revolver in a handy place in plain sight, and then tells him to confess. Under such circumstances the prisoner would most likely own up to anything.—L'Assur Sentinel.

Mitchell Blackman, who was a red man, and another Indian known as Long John, went to Acme, drank all the whisky they could hold, filled their pockets full of bottles of liquid dynamite and then commenced skating down the railroad track. They were so drunk that they couldn't hear a train approaching from the rear, nor even the shrill of the locomotive whistle. Both were instantly killed.

There's an awful mean man up at Port Huron. An old bean of his wife's

has been in the habit of calling to see her in the afternoon when he has been at work at his place of business. The other day he hired an old lady to punish the erring couple. When the old lady rang the bell the bean was huddled into a closet, and there he smothered for three long hours while the old lady related the gossip of the neighborhood, and went round and round with the knitting of a stocking.

## UNDERSTOOD HIS BUSINESS.

## A Discontented Donkey Demands Two Vicious Dogs in a Fierce Duel.

A fierce duel was fought a day or two ago at the Valmont distillery between an innocent-looking, sleepy little donkey and two big and furious dogs that had been for days seeking an opportunity to tackle his donkeyship, says a Newville (Pa.) special. The donkey was running loose in the large, high-fenced bull yard at the brewery. His owner, seeing the dogs growling and eagerly showing their teeth at the bull-yard gate and trying to get in, concluded he would give the dogs a chance.

If they had been Siberian blood-hounds the barking brutes could not have rushed with more voracity upon the seemingly stupid beast with long, shaggy hair and ears. Prancing around him on both sides and watching their chance to grab him by the throat together, the dogs, like a brace of ravenous wolves, encircled the donkey.

Regulating lazily out of his off eye the donkey appeared most oblivious to his danger. The dogs grew fiercer. As both were about to catch his throat in their teeth the donkey, with the speed of a lightning flash, lowered his head and dashed toward the nearest dog as if with the long-eared head to bunt him. A burr-saw could not revolve more quickly than did the little animal at this point. He fairly flew around as if on a pivot.

Both heels flew out. They landed squarely amidships on the body of the nearest snapping and snarling dog. At the same instant one hundred and fifty pounds of dog went spinning through the air and struck the earth ten yards away, a whining, yelping, whipped canine.

The fate of dog number one was only an aggravation to number two. He snapped and growled more ravenously at the donkey than before. In two minutes more, however, the second savage assailant was cowering over the turf in somersaults and the donkey had closed his eyes again and retired on his laurels. Neither big dog can be coaxed near the distillery bull yard now.

## THE PEOPLE OF JAPAN.

## They Are the Most Polite and Refined in the World.

"Never ask what you are eating in Japan. Take it and keep silent. An investigation might reveal algae, cuttle-fish, seaweed, raw flesh of fish, and other delicacies. The Japanese waitresses are all girls and the cleverest in the world. They anticipate your every wish. In fact," says Sir Edwin Arnold, "the people as a whole are the most elegant and polite in the world. This is a result of the language, which is a marvel of politeness and refinement. 'Fellow' is the worst word in the language, and when a man's house burns up he may lose his patience enough to give way to some such awful expression as: 'There, there' A Japanese never would say: 'Where did you go?' but: 'Where did you angustily condescend to repair?' or instead of a brusque 'come in' would request you to 'condescend the honorable entrance.' In short, all the people seem to honor each other rather than themselves. It was a grammar that took me to Japan, for I was anxious to hear a language where there was no imperative mode, no oaths or terms of abuse. With all this the people are brave and high-spirited, and their history abounds in illustrations of their heroism. When the Panama canal is cut and the Pacific rivals the Atlantic in importance of trade then Japan will become better known. My answer to a great Japanese official, who asked my advice on the future policy of his country, was 'double your navy, keep up your friendship with England and America, and elevate your women.'"

## NOBODY'S FOOL.

## Rosy-Cheeked Girl from Ohio Objects to "Jersey."

An aspiring maiden from the west has come to New York to study art. She hails from a small town in Ohio. She has rosy cheeks and bright eyes, says the Recorder, and while she has the indelible western stamp, and her attire has a rural cut, she is nobody's fool.

The other day she took a ride on the elevated train. She kept her eyes open, and when two dapper young fellows took a seat opposite her she observed them take her in visually from her hat to her shoes. Then one nudged the other and whispered, significantly: "Jersey."

A rosy-cheeked girl from Ohio doesn't always know what it means when one man nudges another and whispers: "Jersey." But she does know they meant her, and she knew they were rude. When she reached her sister's apartment she related the incident, with the following addendum: "I don't know what they meant, but I can tell you one thing, I shan't go into the street again until I have some clothes. So there!"

The Art is a Dangerous Experiment. The tenuous hold which ants of all nations maintain whenever they have seized anything with their jaws or "nippers" is matter of familiar knowledge. Otherwise, that would be an exceedingly indigestible statement which is made, but for which we do not stand responsible, regarding the Brazilian Indians, and the manner in which they utilize the ants of that country.

Surgeons in Brazil are presumably few and far between. Accordingly, when an Indian accidentally cuts himself, he does not go several hundred miles to obtain professional treatment, but captures a number of ants—Brazilian ants are very large and powerful—and applies them to the gash. They bite at it ferociously, drawing the skin of the two sides together. The Indian pinches off their bodies, leaving their heads, which still hold their grip on the wound, effectually sewing it up—and goes on his way rejoicing.

## A Sealed Word Payment.

A new system of wood paving that is now being tried in Paris makes use of splines of oak about four inches long, split up similarly to ordinary kindling wood. These sticks are laid loosely on end in fine sand on a bed of gravel from four to four and a half inches thick. A

layer of fine sand is spread over them, and they are alternately watered and beaten several times. In about forty-eight hours the water has completely penetrated the wood, causing it to swell into a compact mass, which is capable of supporting the heaviest traffic, according to reports.

## POPULAR SCIENCE.

Two best wines are found to be produced from grapes grown upon volcanic soils.

By a new system, compound sheets of platinum and gold are used to make crucibles for use in industrial chemistry.

An apparatus for purifying lubricating oils coming from machinery has been patented in Norway whereby the same oil can be used many times at a trifling expense.

A great improvement in machine bearings is made from compressed wood pulp combined with graphite. No lubrication is necessary, and the amount of friction is greatly diminished.

Experiments made with oil and various other substances have shown that oil alone gives the greatest heat. It has been adopted for the boilers of the big pumping engines at Brilliant, near Pittsburgh.

Ten remarkably beautiful green color of some preserved beans and other vegetables is said to be obtained by boiling the vegetables in a copper vessel while an electric current is passed through it.

A new electrical device on the nickel-in-the-slot order has been introduced in the railway cars in England. By placing a penny in the receptacle the light burns for fifteen minutes, and is then extinguished automatically.

Owing to the lack of penetrating power possessed by the electric arc light in thick weather, its use in lighthouses is now being brought to bear in England to ascertain a better composition of the carbons, with a view to supplying the required rays for penetrative effect.

HERETOFORE it has been impossible to get lead to adhere to iron without the aid of tin. This can now be done by the following means: First pickle the plates in a bath to remove the scale, a weak electric current being sent through the bath. Remove the plates to a bath of lime water, and thence to one of fresh water. From this place them in a bath consisting of a neutral solution of zinc and stannic chloride, thence to a drying chamber heated by steam. When dry place them in a bath of molten lead 95% per cent. pure.

## THE CZAR OBEYED.

## He Observed the Law That He Himself Had Laid Down.

The London Daily News gives a suggestive incident of obedience to the law on the part of the czar of Russia, which it received from its Helsinki correspondent. While the czar was on his summer trip a picnic was arranged for cray fishing, which is popular sport in Finland. A stick with a piece of flesh is held down in a stream, and, as the fish goes to nibble at it, the angler, who has meanwhile been making himself as invisible to the fish as possible, lifts the stick very gently, the crayfish following, and then a speedy dab with the net catches the fish. Everything was arranged. A fire was to be made on the bank and the fish cooked quite fresh. As the party was about to begin sport somebody suggested that it was the close time for fishing, the season not beginning until a fortnight later. Immediately the czar ordered the break-up of the party, and neither allowed himself nor others the pleasure they sought and were so eager to begin. "This was a real sacrifice," adds the correspondent, "and should be a wholesome lesson to many thousands of officials in Russia." And we may add that it suggests a prompt and hearty observance to us all. No one can rule well who has not learned to obey.

Why doth the undertaker roars  
Why hath he such delight  
Four hundred and six doers more  
Young doctors, plus just twenty more,  
Did graduate last night.

Some humorists write jokes for pay and some for amusement. It has been said that there is more pay than amusement to be got out of most jokes, but the man who said it was only joking for his own amusement. Some people are easily amused.

London Punch is the best comic paper ever published by the publishers of Punch. JOHN KENNEDY BLANES

## A Misadventure.

"Comstock and Bagley were pretty full when they drove into the yard last night."

"Yes; it was all the result of a miscalculation."

"How was that?"

"Well, Bagley tells me they procured liquid supplies for ten miles and afterward found the drive was only seven."

—Judge.

## Quite Sure of It.

Young Wife—Don't you consider marriage a means of grace, George?"

Young Husband (who has already been forced to play second fiddle in the household)—Yes; anything is a means of grace that leads to repentance.—Texas.

Try Jacks.

## Peculiar

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Peculiar in its strength and economy, Hood's Sarsaparilla is the only medicine of which every truly healthy man, "One Hundred Dollars One Dollar." Peculiar in its medicinal merits, Hood's Sarsaparilla accomplishes cures hitherto unknown.

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